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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, applicants respectfully request that the documents listed on the accompanying PTO 1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record in the above-referenced application. A copy of each of the documents listed is enclosed.

All five documents are foreign language references and accompanied by English language abstracts. There are no readily available English language translations for any of the listed documents.

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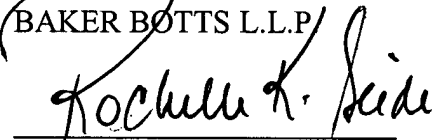
application and applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of the documents.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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